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This letter is in response to the request by the Postal Regulatory Commission asking for comments about how the current ratesetting process should be changed. AccuZIP, Inc. hereby formally requests that with the increase in frequency of USPS® Rate Changes, that the USPS provide Software Vendors increased notice of the FINAL Mailing Statements and Rules. For example, vendors had less than 30 days' notice from the FINAL documents for the July 2022 rate changes, i.e., prices, SKU price files, postal forms, including the **Federal Register** / Vol. 87, No. 113 / Monday, June 13, 2022 / Rules and Regulations, etc... to make our changes, build the new releases, and distribute to our customers. Many MSP's prepare mail 30-days or more in advance and need our updates earlier. The need for more advanced FINAL information is evident in the latest MSDG Meeting Agenda item that reads, "What is the plan for mailers submitting with software that has not yet caught these changes?"

As a CASS™ and PAVE™ GOLD certified vendor, we pride ourselves on providing our customers accurate rate calculations, prices, SKUs and postal documentation. The current 30-day timeframe does not allow for adequate programming and Q&A testing given the frequency of rate changes. This has put an unreasonable burden on our development teams and support staff and jeopardizes the quality of our products, services, and brand. The short-timeline for FINAL release of the above assets creates potential liability with SLA's and consumer confidence because of numerous updates with unnecessary patches related to the short timeline and limited QA and regressive testing.

We request to have a minimum of 60-days from the FINAL release of the documents to make our changes.

Sample of inadequate 30-day
Notice window currently
provided:

July 2022 Price Change		
Starting July 10, 2022		
	Status	Revised
Prices		
July 2022 Price File - Excel	Final	06/09/2022
July 2022 Price Files - CSV	Final	06/09/2022
July 2022 Price Files Change Log		05/13/2022
Notice 123		
July 2022 - Notice123 PDF	Final	06/09/2022
USPS SKU Price Files		
July 2022 - SKU Price Files - Excel	Final	06/14/2022
July 2022 - SKU Price Files - Pipe-Delimited	Final	06/14/2022
SKU Delta Report		
July 2022 SKU Delta Report	Final	06/14/2022
Automated Price Files (APF)		
July 2022 - APF Postage	Final	06/09/2022
July 2022 - APF Service	Final	06/09/2022

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Sincerely,

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